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Outline



The National Ignition Campaign

- Governing equations
- Discretization
- Operator split implementation
- Poisson solver implementation
- Testing
- Mix cell support
- Results for key hole design
- NIF-ALEAMR application modules
- Summary

Radiation diffusion governing equations

- Radiation and material energy equations

Radiation energy equation

$$\frac{\partial E_R}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{c\lambda(E_R)}{\kappa_R} \nabla E_R \right) + \kappa_P (4\sigma T^4 - cE_R)$$

Material energy equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho E) + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \rho E + \mathbf{u} p) = 0 - \kappa_P (4\sigma T^4 - cE_R)$$

Energy transfer
towards equilibrium
between material and
radiation temperature

- New variable E_R is radiation energy
 - Governed by nonlinear diffusion equation
- Nonlinear opacities $\kappa_P(\rho, T)$ and $\kappa_R(\rho, T)$
- Flux limiter $\lambda(E_R)$ is used to limit propagation speed

Operator split integration

- Hydro update without radiation

$$(\rho E)^- = (\rho E)^n - \Delta t [\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u} \rho E + \mathbf{u} p)]^{n+1/2}$$

- Hydro update is followed by backward-Euler energy/radiation update

$$\frac{E_R^{n+1} - E_R^n}{\Delta t} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{c \lambda(E_R^{n+1})}{\kappa_R^{n+1}} \nabla E_R^{n+1} \right) + \kappa_P^{n+1} (B^{n+1} - c E_R^{n+1})$$

$$(\rho E)^{n+1} = (\rho E)^- - \Delta t \kappa_P^{n+1} (B^{n+1} - c E_R^{n+1})$$

- Operator split approach lets radiation diffusion plug in as a module

Nonlinear equation solver uses Newton Iterations

- Nonlinear equations for the backward Euler updates:

$$F_{\alpha} = (\rho e)^{n+1} - (\rho e)^{-} + \Delta t \kappa_p (B^{n+1} - c E_R^{n+1}) = 0$$

$$F_R = E_R^{n+1} - E_R^n - \Delta t \nabla \cdot (D^{n+1} \nabla E_R^{n+1}) + \kappa_p^{n+1} (B^{n+1} - c E_R^{n+1}) = 0$$

- Corrections δQ_{α} , δE_R in the Newton iterations satisfy:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} & \frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial E_R} \\ \frac{\partial F_R}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} & \frac{\partial F_R}{\partial E_R} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta Q_{\alpha} \\ \delta E_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -F_{\alpha} \\ -F_R \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} (\rho e)_{\alpha} &\leftarrow (\rho e)_{\alpha} + \delta Q_{\alpha} \\ E_R &\leftarrow E_R + \delta E_R \end{aligned}$$

- Invert diagonal upper left block matrix (Schur complement):

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} & \frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial E_R} \\ 0 & \frac{\partial F_R}{\partial E_R} - \frac{\partial F_R}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} \left(\frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial E_R} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \delta Q_{\alpha} \\ \delta E_R \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -F_{\alpha} \\ -F_R + \frac{\partial F_R}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} \left(\frac{\partial F_{\alpha}}{\partial Q_{\alpha}} \right)^{-1} F_{\alpha} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (D(\phi) \nabla E_R) = S$$

- Cell-centered E_R , κ_R , κ_P and diffusion coefficients on deformed mesh. Colocating T , and E_R avoids spurious diffusion from to interpolation.
- Discretization:
 - Conservative finite difference due to Henshaw, SIAM J. Sci. Comp., Vol. 28, pp. 1730-1765.
 - 9-point stencil in 2D. 27-point in 3D. Formally second order accurate on smooth mesh.
 - Supports discontinuous coefficient. Using linear or harmonic average of D at cell interfaces.
 - Symmetric, except for boundary conditions
- Hypre preconditioner

Flux Limiting

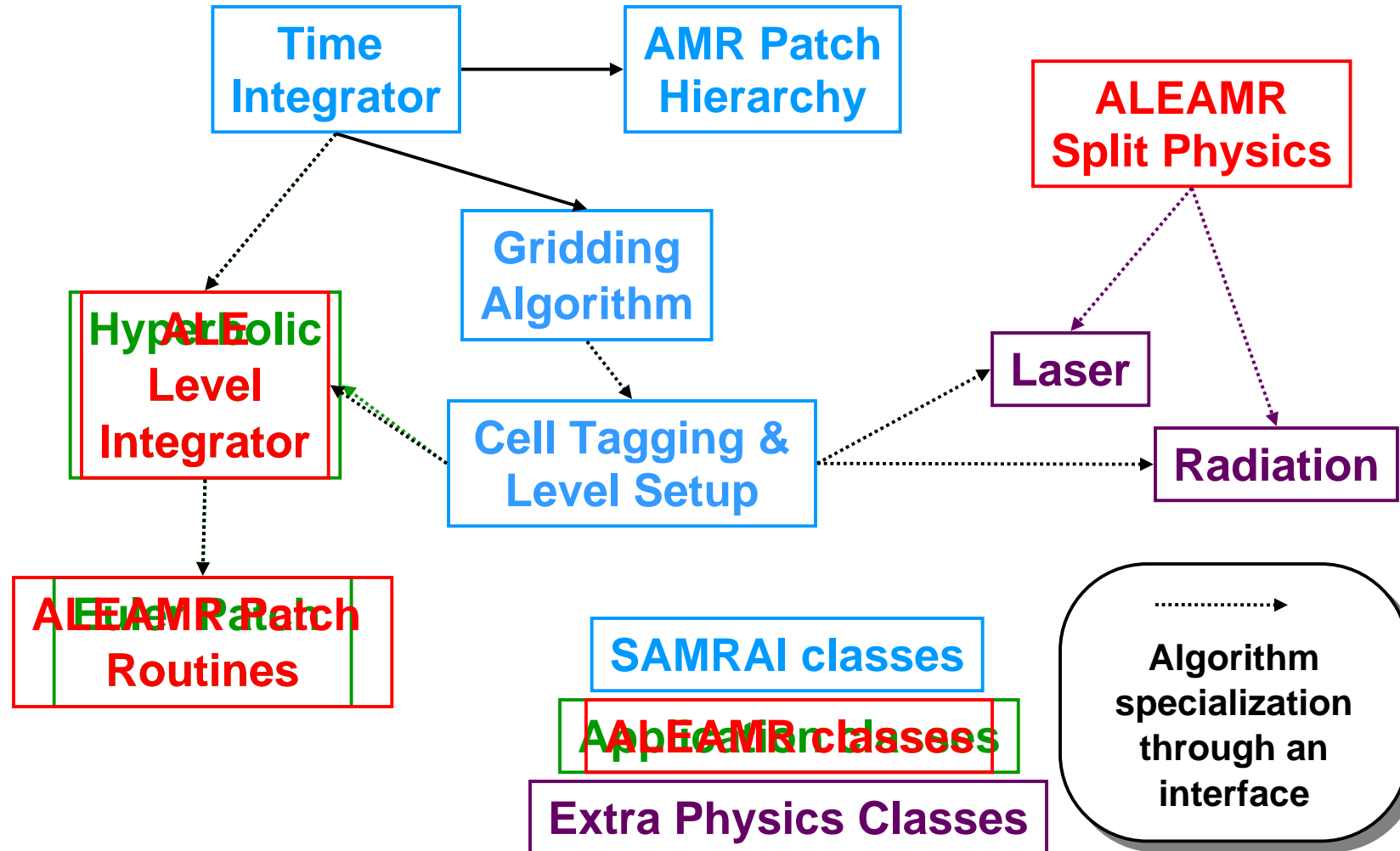
- Flux limiting is generally needed for thin media, to prevent waves from exceeding the speed of light. In practice, limiting is ad hoc.
- Diffusion coefficient $D = c \lambda(E_R) / \kappa_R$ contains nonlinear factor $\lambda(E_R)$
- Unlimited flux: $\lambda(E_R) = \frac{1}{3} \quad D = \frac{c}{3\kappa_R}$
- Levermore-Pomraning formula based on Chapman-Enskog theory

$$\lambda(R) = \frac{1}{R} \left(\coth(R) - \frac{1}{R} \right) \quad R \sim \left| \frac{\nabla E}{E} \right|$$

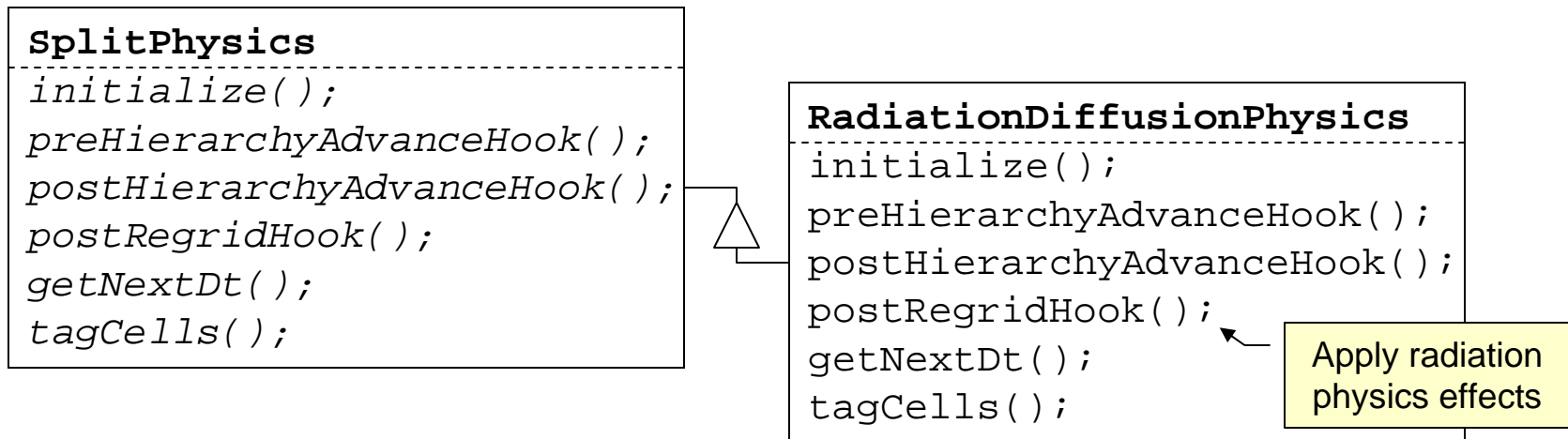
- Larson limiter formula:

$$D = \frac{c}{\sqrt[n]{(3\kappa_R)^n + \left| \frac{\nabla E}{E} \right|^n}}$$

NIF-ALEAMR code combines problem-specific routines with SAMRAI components



Split physics interface in ALEAMR



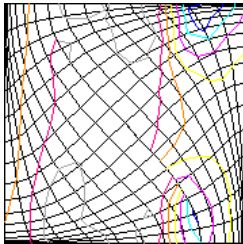
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do {
    physics->preHierarchyAdvanceHook(...);

    // update hydro
    next_dt = ...;

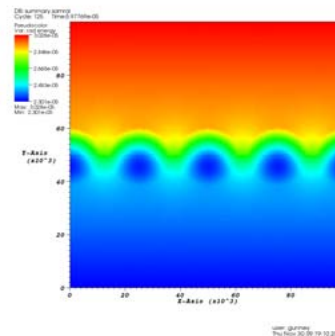
    physics->postHierarchyAdvanceHook(...);
    next_dt = min(next_dt, physics->getNextDt());
} while ( time < final_time );
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Testing of radiation diffusion solver

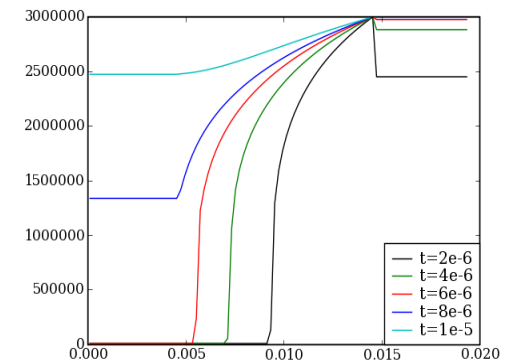
- Poisson solver test
- Second order accurate for smooth coefficients.
- First order accurate with discontinuous coefficients



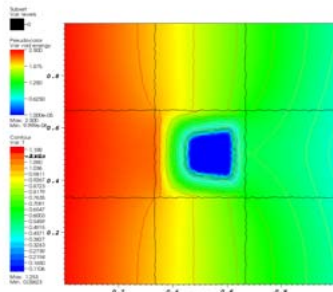
- Linear diffusion on randomized mesh with discontinuous coefficients



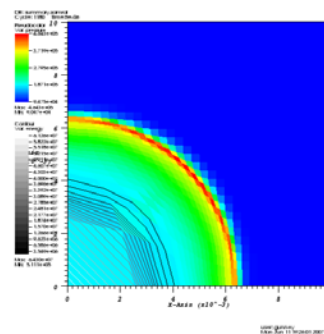
- 1D nonlinear Marshak wave with multimaterial



- 2D nonlinear Marshak wave with multimaterial



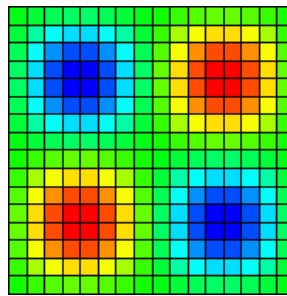
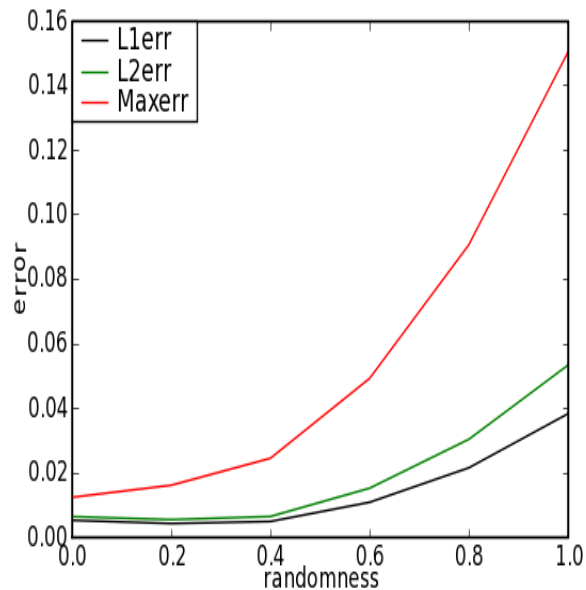
- LEOS and rad-hydro integration



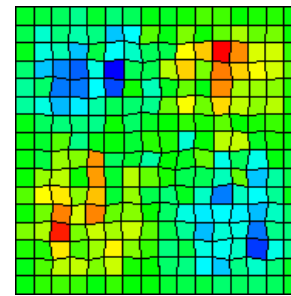
- Currently testing mix cell support and solver robustness

Poisson solver verification on randomized mesh

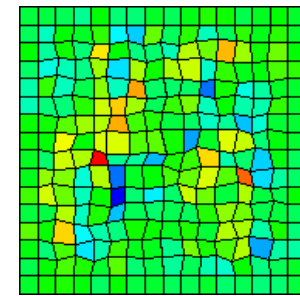
- $\text{Div}(\text{grad}(u)) = \sin(x)\sin(y)$
- Dirichlet boundary conditions
- L2 error norms showed



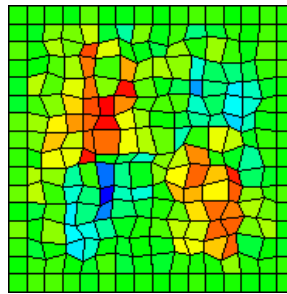
Randomness = 0



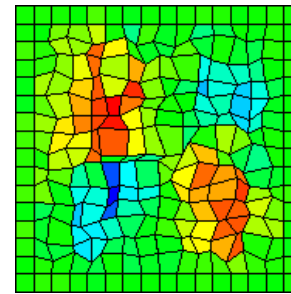
Randomness = 2



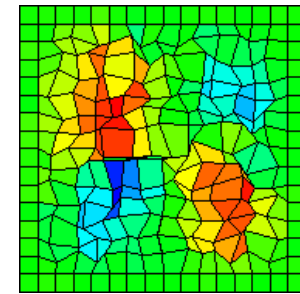
Randomness = 4



Randomness = 6



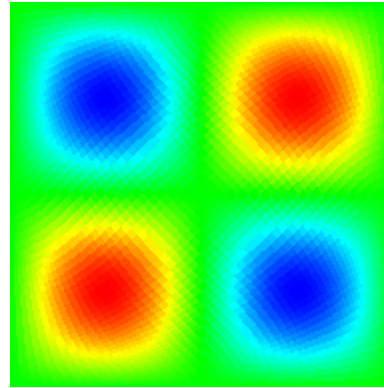
Randomness = 8



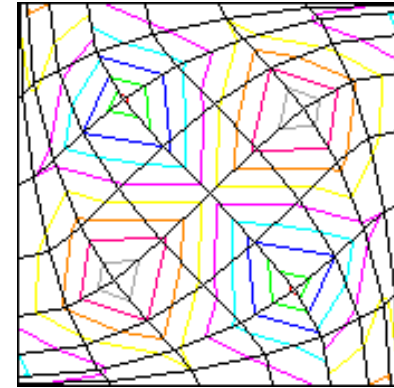
Randomness = 10

Poisson solver verification on twisted mesh

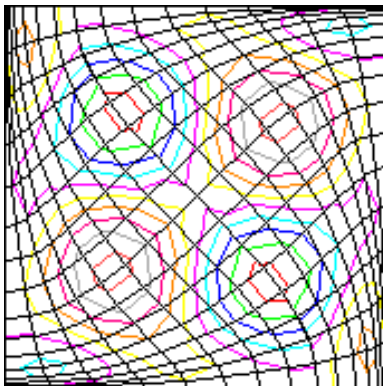
- $\text{Div}(\text{grad}(u)) = \sin(x)\sin(y)$
- Dirichlet boundary conditions
- Second order accurate



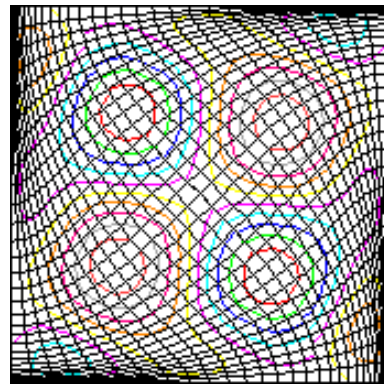
Exact solution



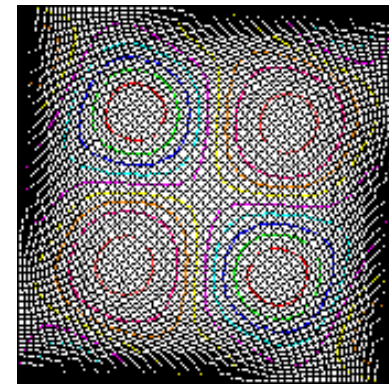
8x8 grid, error = .0555



16x16 grid, error = .0130



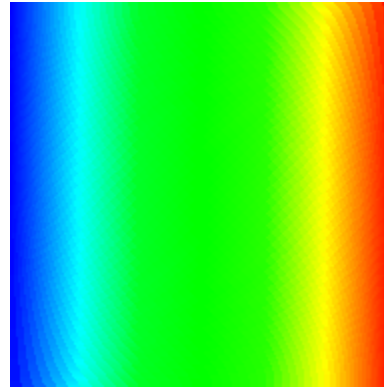
32x32 grid, error = .0032



64x64 grid, error = .0008

Poisson solver verification on twisted mesh, with discontinuous coefficients

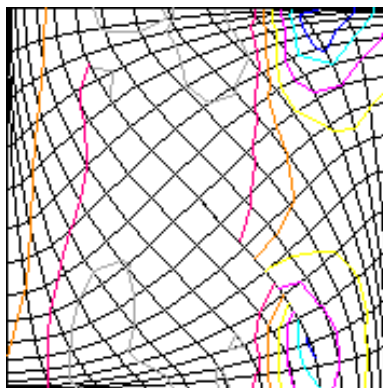
- $\text{Div}(\text{grad}(u)) = 0$
- Diffusion coefficients 1 and 1000
- L2 error norms shown
- First order accurate with discontinuous coefficients



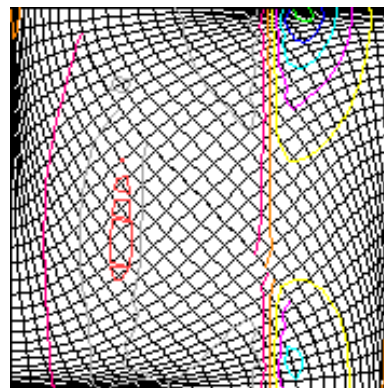
Exact solution



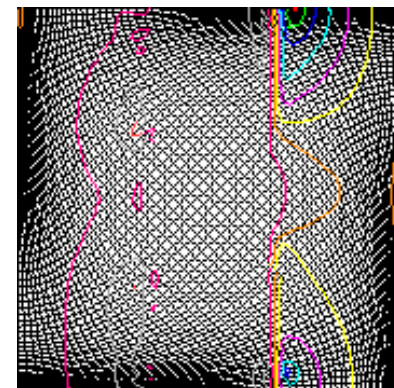
8x8 grid, error = .0944



16x16 grid, error = .0367



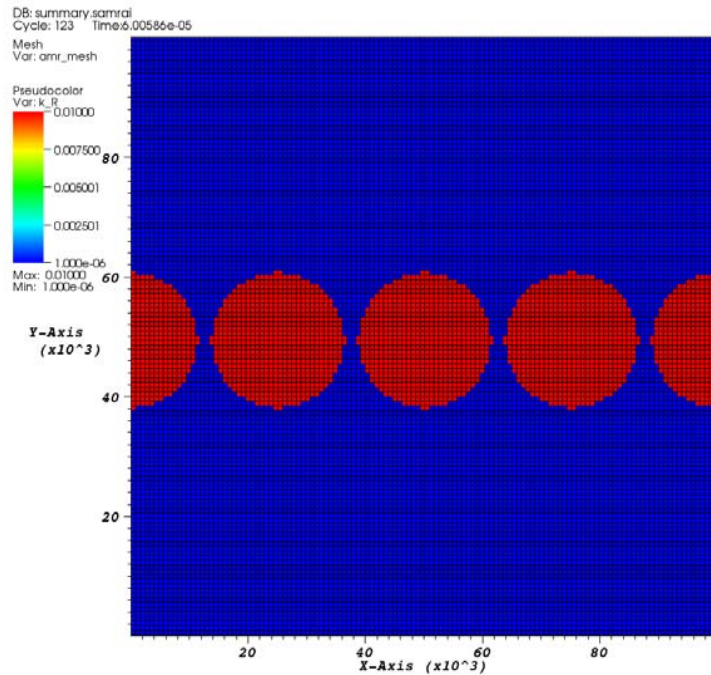
32x32 grid, error = .0184



64x64 grid, error = .0090

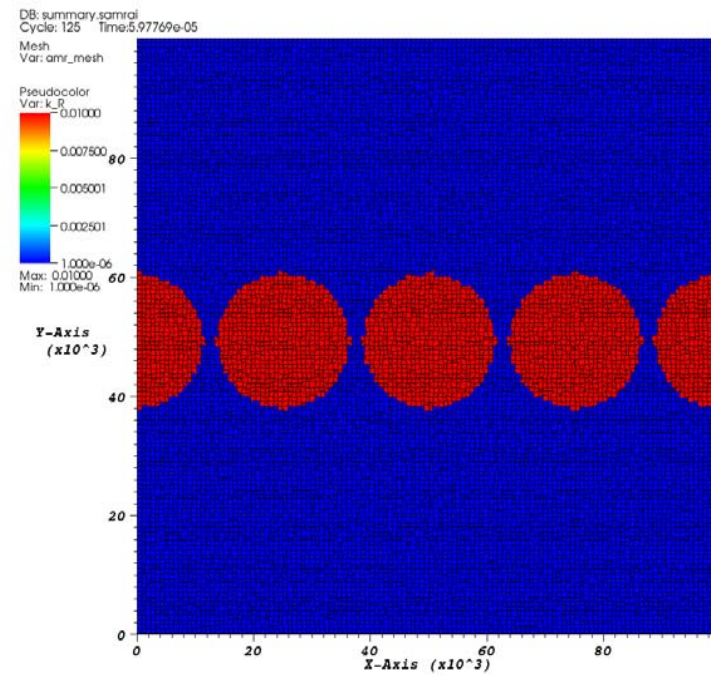
Cloud problem definition

Cartesian grid



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Randomized grid

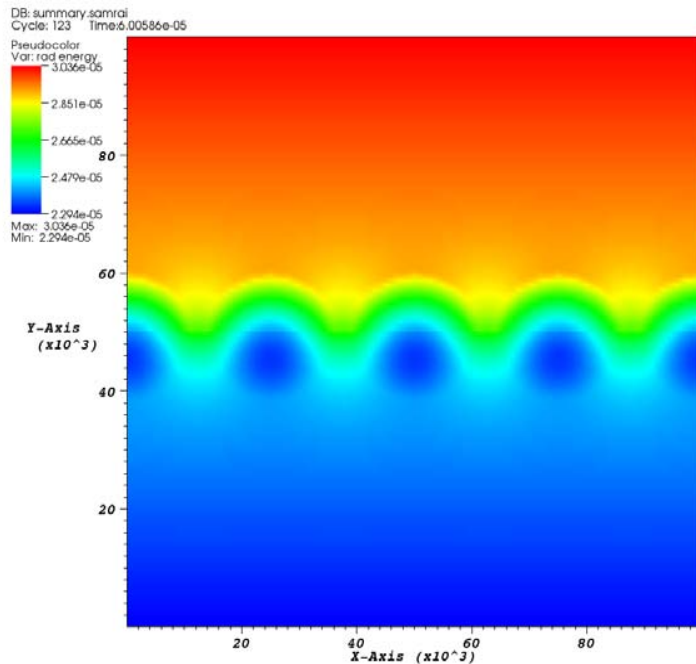


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- $\kappa_P = 0$
- $\kappa_R = 10^{-6}$ for air, $\kappa_R = 10^{-2}$ for clouds
- Incoming flux at top

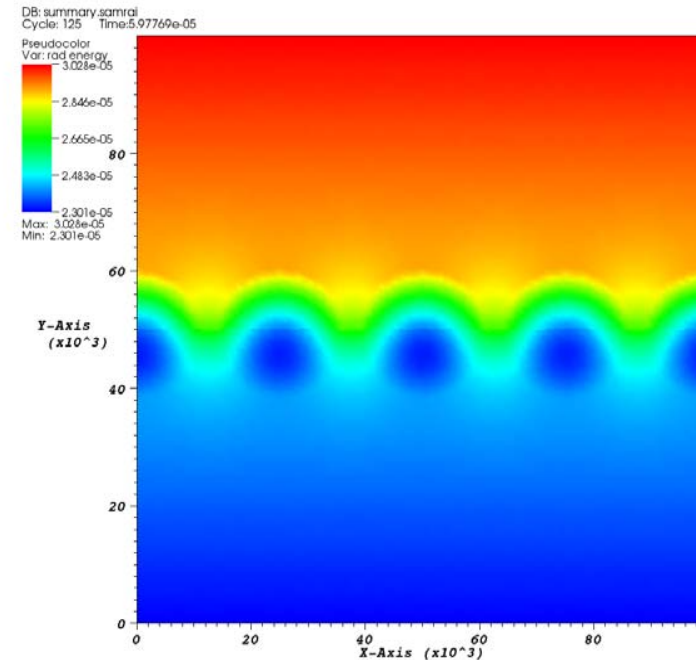
Cloud problem results: mesh randomness does not degrade accuracy

Cartesian grid



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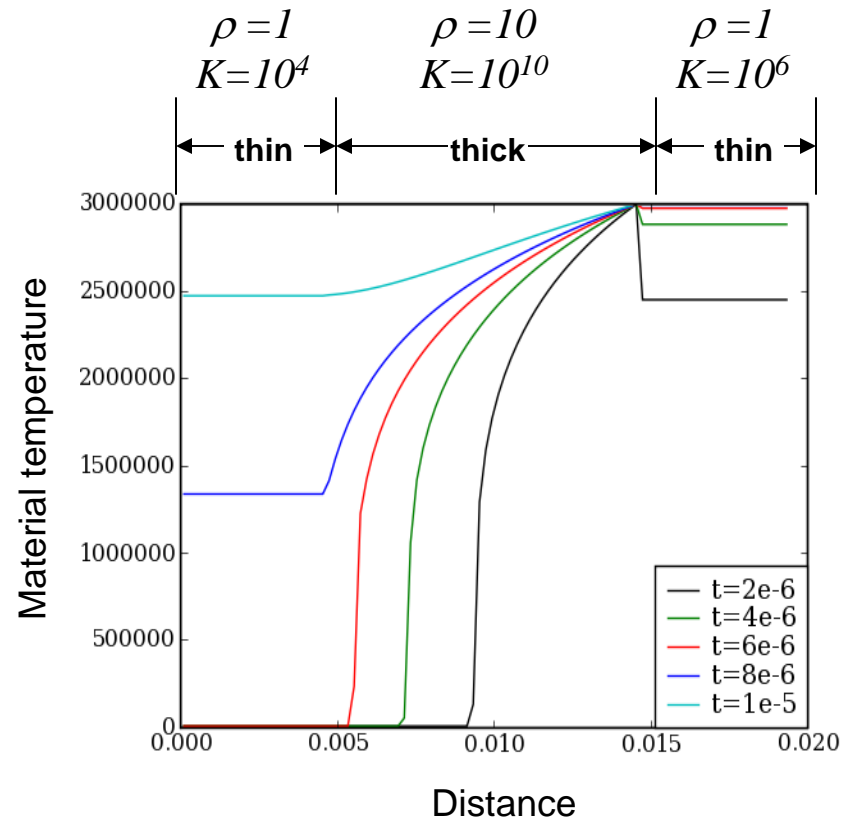


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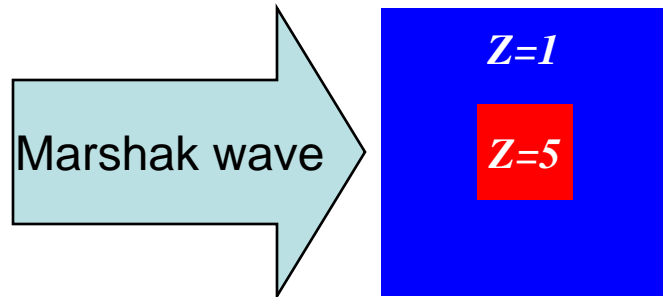
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1D thermal wave test problem

- From Howell and Greenough, JCP Vol. 184, pp. 53-78.
- Marshak wave from right burns through optically thick center slab.
- Radiation temperature of 3,000,000 imposed on right side.
- $\kappa_R = \kappa_P = K\rho^2/T$
- Low density right side heats up quickly from radiation.
- Left side initially protected by center slab.
- Low density left side heats up quickly after center slab burns away.
- Uniform mesh

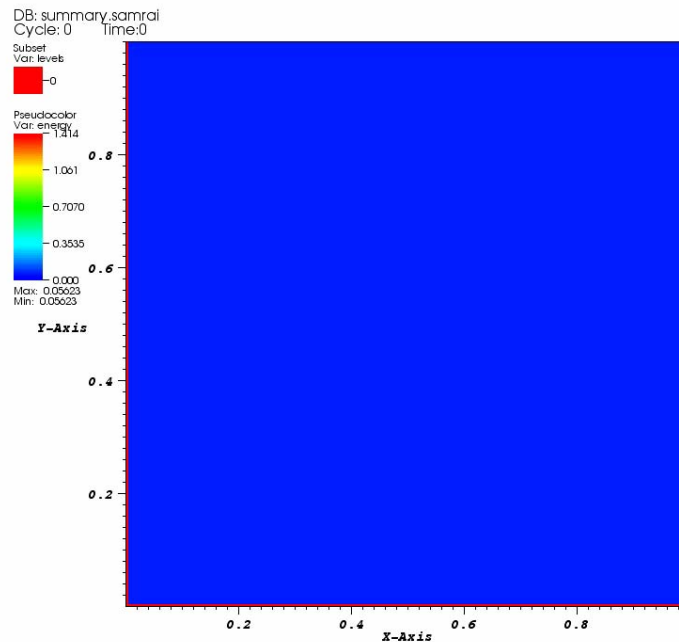


2D Mousseau problem

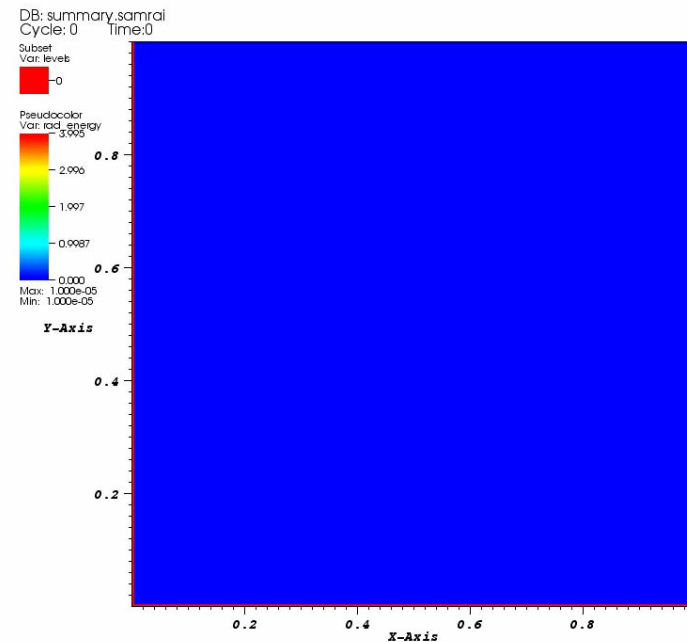


- Mousseau, et al., JCP, Vol. 160, pp. 743-765, 2000.
- $D_r(T) = (T/Z)^3$
- Nonlinear high and low Z materials.
- Marshak wave enters at left

Material energy

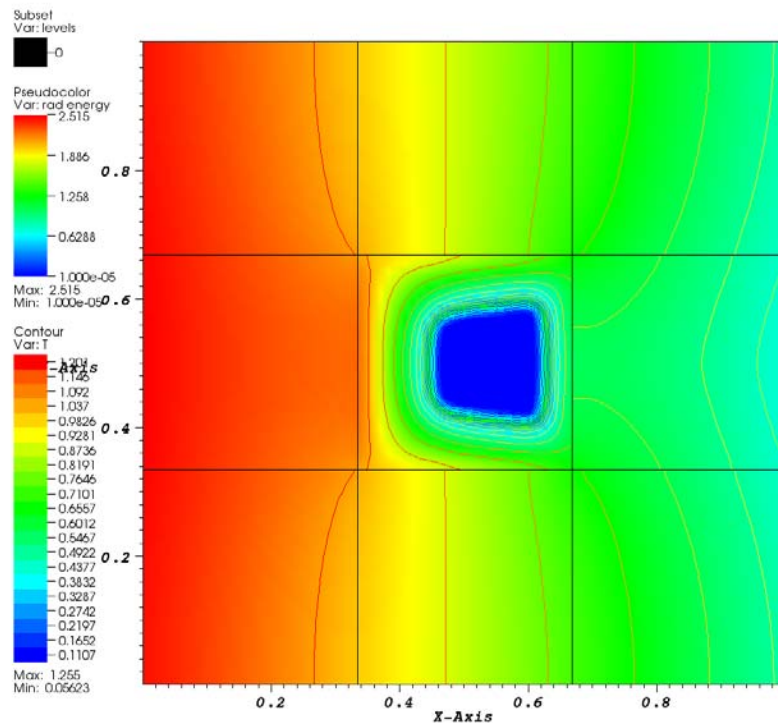


Radiation energy

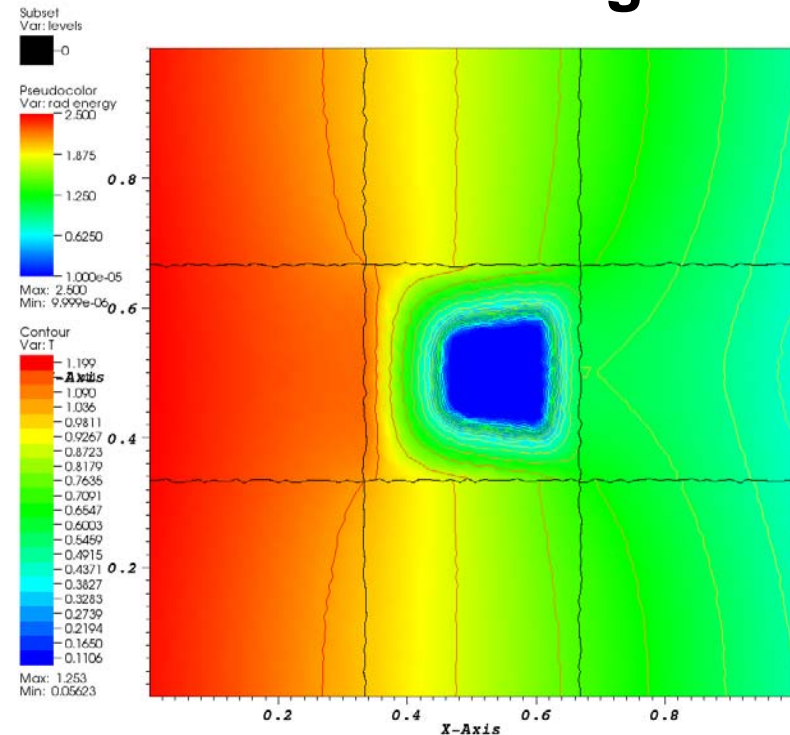


2D Mousseau results: radiation energy, material T on Cartesian and randomized grids

Cartesian grid

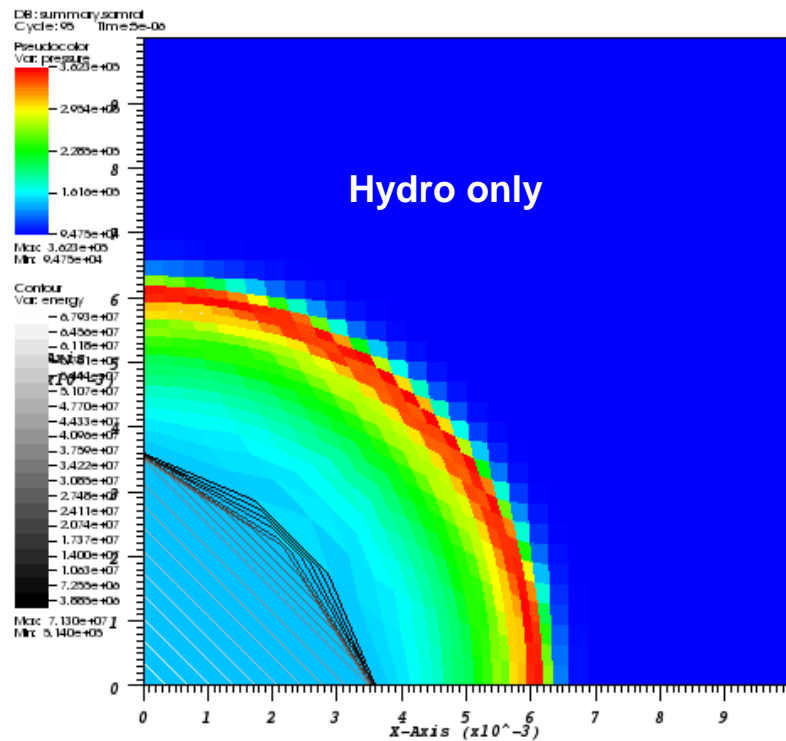


Randomized grid

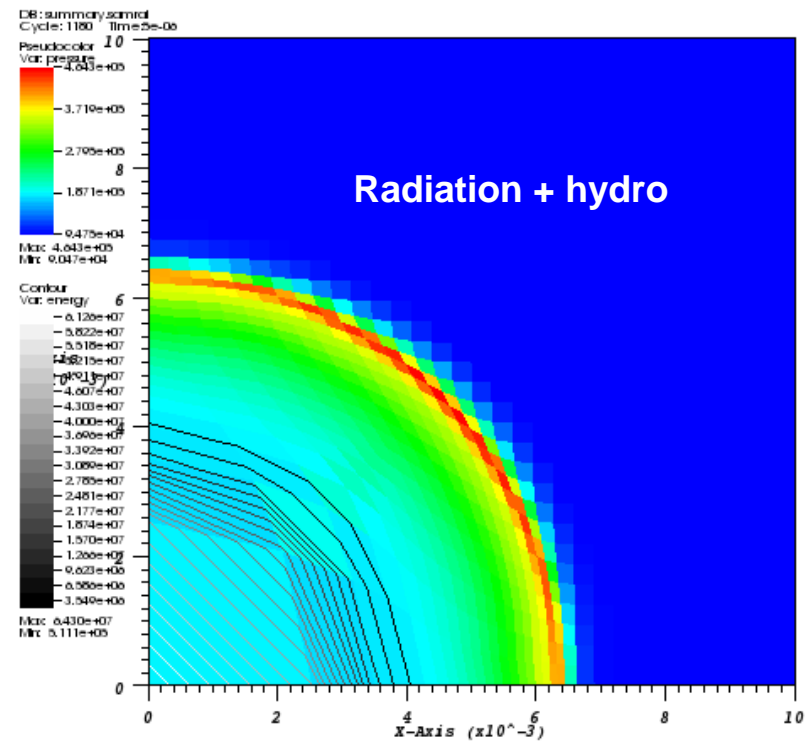


Coupled radiation hydro results

- Sedov problem: Initial energy input at corner sends out cylindrical shock wave
- Air, heated to 30,000K
- Tabulated equation of state
- Color = pressure, contour lines = material energy



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Rad Diffusion with Mix Cell data

- Multiple materials occupying one cell, with associated cell volume fractions f_α .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho E)_\alpha + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}(\rho E)_\alpha + \mathbf{u}p_\alpha) = -f_\alpha \kappa_{P,\alpha} (4\sigma T_\alpha^4 - cE_R)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_R}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{c\lambda(E_R)}{\kappa_R} \nabla E_R \right) + \sum_\alpha f_\alpha \kappa_{P,\alpha} (4\sigma T_\alpha^4 - cE_R)$$

- Cell-averaged Rosseland opacity

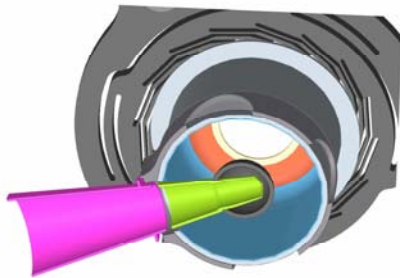
$$\kappa_R = \frac{\sum_\alpha f_\alpha \rho_\alpha \kappa_{R,\alpha}}{\sum_\alpha f_\alpha \rho_\alpha}$$

- Averaging for interface diffusion coefficients

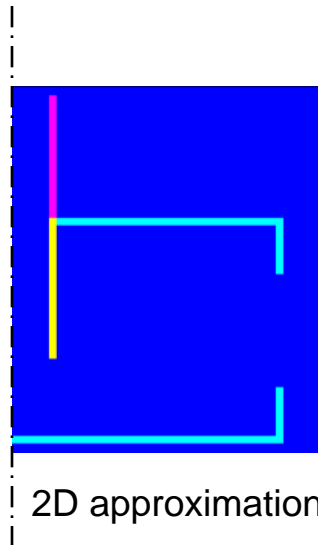
$$D = \frac{D_r + D_l}{2}$$

$$D = \frac{2D_r D_l}{D_r + D_l}$$

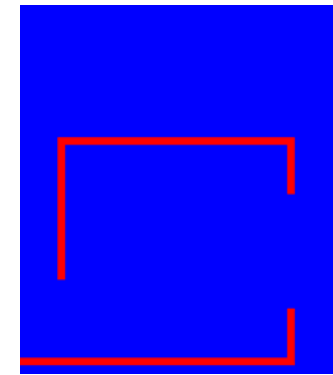
2D Analysis of Key Hole under Radiative Heating



Key Hole



2D approximation



Initial temperature distribution

- 0.2mm aluminum Hohlraum walls
- 0.2mm aluminum inner and outer cone walls
- Initial temperatures of 0.1, 0.2 and 0.3 keV for inner cone and Hohlraum wall

- Radiation diffusion solver supporting ALE mesh, multi-material with mix cells.
- Future work:
 - Further testing and validation on rad-hydro fragmentation problems.
 - AMR version.